

Thomas Sullivan
Bureau Chief
International Bureau

Re: Docket 18-122

May 17, 2018

Dear Mr. Sullivan,

I am reaching out to you regarding a matter of extreme importance to our radio outreach. Family Life Ministries is a network of FM radio stations and translators located across New York and Pennsylvania. We have a potential audience of several million listeners. Our programming consists of music and programs geared towards encouraging and uplifting our listeners. Many of our programs are delivered to us via satellite. We receive these programs at our studios located in Bath, NY.

Recently we have become aware of numerous proposals that would allow broadband companies to operate 5G terrestrial facilities throughout the nation. While we understand that the expansion of 5G is a priority, we believe that the well-established ability of broadcasters to continue providing quality content reliably may be endangered if these frequencies are compromised.

As a licensee, we are very concerned about our ability to continue to reliably receive the programming that we broadcast to both inform and entertain the citizens of our community.

The programming we take from a C-band earth station downlink is a vital part of our service to our community and, as such, is irreplaceable. Without C-band, we do not have the ability to reproduce the same quality of content at each location we serve. Other methods of transmitting content are either too unreliable or financially out of reach.

We hope that you will seriously consider our needs to serve our community with content specifically produced for our listening audience and delivered by C-band satellite facilities.

Sincerely,

Richard M Snavely Jr

President

Family Life Network

